



SPORTS

The Wildcats will send 19 athletes to Lincoln, Neb., for the Nebraska Quad on Saturday. Read more on Page 6.

WEATHER

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Take Back the Night

We aren't only recognizing the violence in our lives here, but in the lives of women around the world.

— Jessica Haymaker, senior in social work

Marchers rally to promote prevention, awareness of violence against women at home, on streets

By Whitney Hodgins
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

K-State Idol winner Samantha Clemons sang in the twilight at Triangle Park on Thursday night, uniting about 80 women, men and children in solidarity against violence toward women at the annual Take Back the Night march.

The crowd started at Bosco Student Plaza, where Ordinary Women members Jessica Haymaker, Melissa Posey, Madeline Wetta and faculty member Lisa Tatonetti spoke and read poetry to set the tone for the evening.

TBTN is sponsored by OW, a feminist group on campus. The purpose of the march is to symbolize women reclaiming areas that become predatory after dark.

"We aren't only recognizing the violence in our lives here, but in the lives of women around the world," Haymaker, senior in social work, said in her introduction.

Posey delivered the final speech that kicked off the march through the damp April night. The speech had been written for TBTN 2008 by Shireen Roshanaravan, assistant professor of women's studies.

"Even though the weather makes it uncomfortable out here, it's appropriate because we're talking about an uncomfortable subject," Posey, junior in women's studies, said. "What kind of social norms allow rape, assault and incest to become everyday occurrences? I'm holding you accountable that I had to read [Roshanaravan's] speech again. We haven't made any progress since last year. Until we start marking off things on our to-do list, we will read this speech year after year."

The women-only march stopped traffic and canvassed Aggieville, ending in

Joslyn Brown | COLLEGIAN
Michele Janette, associate professor of English, with her 8-month-old son, Rowan Janette-Bear, cheers during the Take Back the Night rally Thursday evening at Bosco Student Plaza.

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CRIME

Local doctor found guilty of aggravated battery charge

By Corene Brisendine
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

A Manhattan jury unanimously found Dr. Russell Reitz guilty of aggravated battery Thursday. The jury deliberated for just less than two hours before reaching a verdict.

Reitz, a radiation oncologist with the Central Kansas Cancer Institute in Manhattan and son of Sen. Roger Reitz, R-Manhattan, has several ties to the community, including serving as a member of the board of trustees with the Community First National Bank in Manhattan.

Reitz was found guilty of level-seven aggravated battery, a felony, against David Lehman, marketing instructor at K-State. The trial stemmed from an incident that occurred on May 17, 2008, when Lehman helped Renee Slick, who divorced Reitz after eight months of marriage, clean her yard. Reitz arrived at Slick's residence and was accused of punching and tackling Lehman upon arrival.

"[Reitz] was convicted of a felony," Lehman said. "That's a big deal."

The jury reached the decision by first rejecting Reitz's claim of self-defense. After deciding the charge of battery was at issue, not self-defense, the jury then had to decide how severe the battery was, said Barry Disney, Kansas assistant attorney general and lead prosecutor.

The lowest level of battery is a misdemeanor, which means the damage caused was not great or life-threatening, Disney said. The next highest is aggravated battery, a level-seven felony, in which the accused individual could have caused great bodily harm. The highest level of battery is level-four aggravated battery. To be convicted, the accused individual must have actually caused great bodily harm.

"We are very pleased with the verdict and the outcome," Disney said. "I think the jury deliberated very well and got to the heart of the issue at hand."

Defense attorney Kathleen Ambrosio, who gave the closing argument Thursday, said she was disappointed for Reitz, but was relieved the jury did not come

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Student organization to present 3rd-annual Africa Nite

By Tyler Sharp
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

A night celebrating African culture will take place in Manhattan for the third consecutive year.

The African Student Union is scheduled to present Africa Nite 2009 from 6 to 10 p.m. Saturday at the City Hall Auditorium, 1101 Poyntz Ave.

The event will include songs and dances, fashion, crafts and authentic cuisine from Africa. The authentic cuisine will be prepared by ASU members and will be native to their home country.

It is free and open to the public. "Uncovering Africa," is the theme of this year's event. Yared Assefa, graduate student in agronomy and ASU secretary, said the theme is an effort to show a side of Africa that often goes unnoticed.

"When you hear about Africa

in the media you hear about the worst parts," he said. "We have exciting things in Africa. There are good parts. We will show the culture, songs and that sort of thing."

The presentations are not limited to African students. Assefa said a group of students who have been studying African dance plan to present a dance from Ghana.

The chance to learn about a different culture is a reason students should check out Africa Nite 2009, Assefa said.

"Africa is a diverse continent," he said. "Each country has high diversification with many languages and many cultures. The African Student Union is composed of students from all over Africa."


"It's also a thanks to the Manhattan community. We are always invited by Americans to experience their culture, and this is a chance to say thanks."

A student presents traditional African crafts at a booth at the 2008 Africa Nite. This year's event will take place Saturday at City Hall Auditorium.

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Yesterday's Cryptquip: IF I WISHED TO BECOME A MEMBER OF A DISSENTING GROUP, I GUESS I'D WANT A PIECE OF THE FACTION.

Today's Cryptquip Clue: L equals H

YOU SUCK | BY NOLAN FABRICIUS AND JEFF BROWN YOU.SUCK.COMIC@GMAIL.COM

There sure have been an abnormal amount of Specters in the news lately...

No - not "Spectres" as in ghosts - I'm talking about people. First we had Phil Specter being convicted of murder last week, and this week Arlen Specter changed political affiliations.

If they worked together, they would make a pretty awesome 1940's noir detective duo.

"Spector and Specter, gumshoes extraordinaire"

I can see this idea spanning some pretty decent mystery novels.

That sounds like the perfect thing to get kids interested in reading books again....

"Spector and Specter and the Case of the Dead Republican Hooker"

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The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of William Page at 1 p.m. today in Bluemont 368. The thesis topic is "The Development of Group Cohesion as it Relates to Satisfaction with Adult Sunday School."

The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of John Homer at 2:30 p.m. today in Nichols 122. The thesis topic is "A Comprehensive Approach to Enterprise Network Security Management."

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The Graduate School announces the final oral defense of the doctoral dissertation of Jonathan Conrad at 10 a.m. Thursday in

Ackert 324. The thesis topic is "Genetic Variability, Demography and Habitat Selection in a Reintroduced Elk (Cervus Elaphus) Population."

The K-State Alumni Association invites all 2009 K-State graduates (May, August and December) to Senior Send-Off from 4 to 6 p.m. Thursday on the north terrace of the K-State Alumni Center.

RIDDLES

1. What work is it that the faster you work, the longer it is before you're done, and the slower you work, the sooner you're finished?

2. What does man love more than life? Fear more than death or mortal strife? What do the poor have, what the rich require, And what contented men desire? What does the miser spend, the spend-thrift save, And all men carry to their graves?

3. There is not wind enough to twirl That one red leaf, nearest of its clan, Which dances as often as dance it can. — Samuel Taylor Coleridge

— <http://www.rinkworks.com/brainfood/p/riddles1.shtml>

ANAGRAM PUZZLES

Place a five-letter word in the blanks so the sentence makes sense. The words must be anagrams of each other (they must contain the exact same letters in a different order).

1. The organic garden had been in a finan-cial ____ since strange ____ were noticed on some of the ____.

2. Because Aisha was Muslim, her mother expounded on the ____ of ____, encour-aging wearing ____ instead.

3. Because Joshua was Christian, he lit sev-eral ____ and said a ____ while holding his ____ together.

4. The thought of a slug moving only five ____ per week, producing ____ the entire way, made George ____.

— <http://www.stetson.edu/~efriedma/anagram>

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Fast & Furious PG-13 1:10 - 3:55 - 7:05 - 9:55 There will be no 7:05 show on Tues and Thur.

Stand Up 360 NR 7:30 Ticket Prices for this show are \$15.00 each. Will show on Tues and Thur only.

Monsters VS Aliens 3D PG 12:35 - 2:45 - 5:00 - 7:15 - 9:40

Sorry, no passes accepted. Ticket Prices for child, senior & matinee are \$9.00. Tickets for adults are \$11.25.

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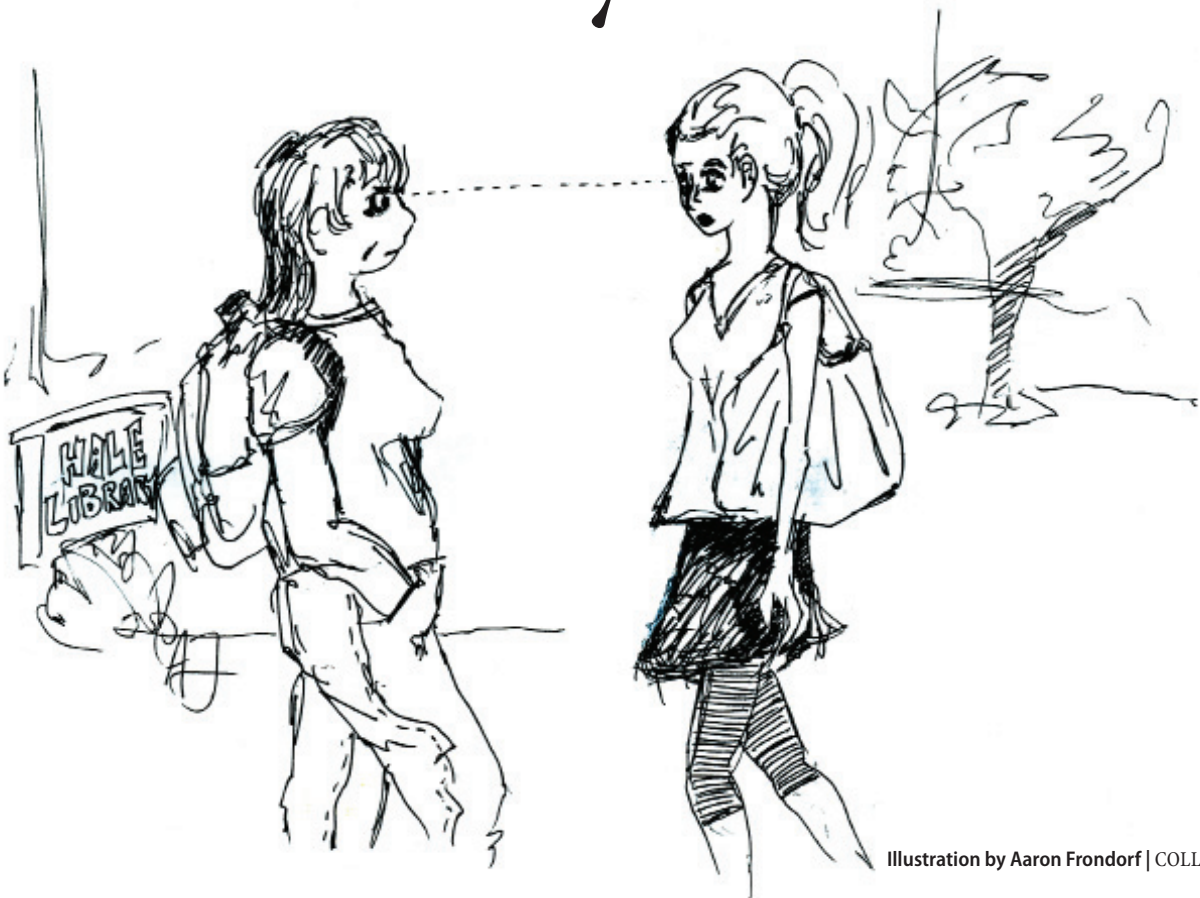


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Making eye contact natural, important on campus



DREW MORRIS

I've found one of the most awkward parts of my day is walking through campus, looking at people as they pass me. Generally it's just curiosity that drives me, but I usually try to make eye contact so as not to stare. Sometimes, especially with women, I feel this curiosity and friendliness is interpreted as flirting. While in some cases I might find a woman attractive, and she might find me homely, there is no reason to act as if I didn't exist.

When immediately looking away after locking eyes with someone, you don't take

back what just happened. Both parties involved know that your eyes met. Then, the only natural reaction is to be unfriendly. This causes negative feelings on both sides and should be avoided if at all possible.

Sometimes when I walk through campus, I'm in a cranky mood because I just failed a test or am hungover, or most likely both. During these times I find it most prudent to put a profound sense of disappointment on my face and concentrate on the music in my headphones. This expression allows me to avoid society, as we all sometimes need to, without coming off as mean or arrogant.

Even if you can't remember how you know a person, you should still partake in some sort of casual greeting. We're talking eye contact and a nod at least, and definitely a friendly expression. You're probably going to remember who they are in about 30 seconds, and it might be weird later when you sit right next to them in class.

When you're in a smaller venue like a sparsely populated hallway, greetings and acknowledgements can become even more friendly. Nodding your head or even taking

that great leap to a verbal salutation might be received positively, especially if you see that person often.

When you see the person you made out with last weekend when you were really drunk, and now you can't remember his or her name, just smile flirtatiously and move on. That ex you're trying to avoid doesn't seem to want to be avoided? Not to worry, just smile, say hi and act like you have somewhere to be. In severe instances like stalking, no eye contact should be made. In this case, act like you're trying to solve the meaning of life between classes and keep walking.

Smiling at others and dropping the arrogant attitude might make people's day better and will certainly make you seem more friendly. We all have stuff going on in our lives, but acting nice toward others can't hurt anything and might just make that small difference in someone's life.

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Young revolutionaries can inspire real changes



ELIZAVETA ZHEGANINA

Working in an eight-to-five corporate world, many people have divorced themselves from appreciating the value of ideas. They live to buy a car, pay a mortgage, secure a credit line and rapidly spend the allotted money on those credit cards. Intangible values gave way to tangible objects that are eagerly displayed in the living rooms of suburban houses.

Corporeal technological progress slowly replaced the time when intangible ideas guided humanity toward new intellectual heights. The material world became an end in itself, not the means to an end.

"Every idea has an expiration date," reads the slogan of Barkley, the largest employee-owned advertising agency in the U.S, according to the company's Web site. The company exists to convince people they cannot live without various material products, like burgers from

Sonic.

While the slogan speaks about innovations in the industry of business promotion, its meaning, if divorced from its immediate connotation, exemplifies ephemeral qualities of the corporate world. The slogan misses the point: Ideas do not expire, burgers from Sonic do. Ideas, intangible entities that they are, live eternally. They do not age, they do not vanish. Their authors might be long dead, but ideas remain alive forever.

The infallibility of ideas received a powerful illustration in "The Battle of Algiers," a film about the 1954-62 Algerian revolutionary movement for independence from France. While French authorities proved successful in neutralizing the Algerian National Liberation Front leadership through capture and assassination, they failed to exterminate ideas of freedom and independence. The film ends with a coda, depicting demonstrations of Algerians for independence two years after the French successfully murdered their revolutionary leaders. The French won the Battle of Algiers by killing humans, but they lost the war because ideas are bulletproof.

"I hold it that a little rebellion every now and then is a good thing and as necessary in the political world as storms in the physical," Thomas Jefferson said. In the U.S.,

though, history has rarely failed to follow his guidance, as radical leaders relentlessly fought for ideas of greater freedom and equality during the 19th and 20th centuries. The ranks of these radicals included Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin, John Adams, William Lloyd Garrison, August Spies, Albert Parsons, Eugene V. Debs, Rosa Parks and Martin Luther King Jr, among others.

Apathy and complacency, originating with the post-WWII economic expansion and boom during the 1980s, put an end to small-scale social revolutions in the U.S. Especially vivid in young generations, the cult of material self-gratification overshadowed political activism. Students and young professionals conveniently forgot they possessed relentless power to originate change.

The power of young idealism, however, remained prominent on the world scale. Supporters of non-violent resistance, vibrant youth movements shook the foundations of some of the most oppressive dictatorial regimes in Europe. OTPOR!, which means "resistance" in Serbian, was founded in 1998 as a compilation of student and youth organizations that united with the purpose of fighting. After two years, this youth organization expanded to include other third sector groups, ranging from youth non-

governmental associations to the Serbian Association of Law Professionals. At its peak, OTPOR! united 70,000 members. Called the star of the Serbian Revolution, the group proved instrumental in crumbling Slobodan Milosevic's regime.

Comparable youth movements in Ukraine and Georgia also intensified, if not originated, the processes of democratization. Pora, which means "now is time" in Ukrainian, and Kmara, which means "enough" in Georgian, became moving mechanisms behind the Orange Revolution in Ukraine and the Rose Revolution in Georgia.

Fighting for the ideas of freedom and democracy, members of these organizations risked their security to achieve an idealistic greater good. Drawing on the ideas of nonviolent resistance, advocated by long-dead Tolstoy, Gandhi, and King, these 20-somethings fought for intangible ideas, not suburban mortgages. They had an idea to live and to die for. While the results of these contemporary revolutions remain dubious, one can hardly escape noticing that youth movements, guided by eternal ideas, render extraordinary power.

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BEST OF THE FOURUM

The Fourum is to the K-State campus what pizza is to almost all college students – daily sustenance we couldn't get by without. Unlike greasy pepperoni pizza, we won't cause your jeans to fit too tight. Here are the comments we thought were the best of the week.

"To the homeless-looking guy at the Union who has the questions: It was nice talking to you."
I'm sure the homeless-looking guy appreciates your backhanded compliment.

"So buying a bottle of water is like buying a piece of trash filled with

something I can get for free?"
Yeah, but then you lose out on all the magical packaging that features the pure creeks, rivers, waterfalls and streams the water didn't come from.

"There's nothing like Barack Obama's patented 'determined

looking into the future' pose when you're a third wheel."
Make the situation uncomfortable ... yes, you can!

"I just saw an albino squirrel climb a tree."
An albino squirrel just saw Captain Obvious staring at a tree.

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Dear Fourum, why don't any of the women at K-State run topless?

I just saw Dr. Bosco running, and it was hilarious.

To the cute soldier who smiled at me on Highway 177: You totally made my day.

I wish I had pipes like Beyonce.

Dear You Suck, I normally look to you to be a pinnacle of truth in these times. However, the Star Wars ship you pictured is not a Corellian Cruiser, it is a Corellian Corvette.

Hey, Fourum, does the swine flu affect the genitalia area?

If you choke a Smurf, what color do they turn?

I agree with the statement someone made about Jack the Mannequin, Andrew McMahon. He's totally sexy, and I got a picture with him; it was totally awesome.

By the way, I'm the hostess on the bus to hell.

Well played, Whitney Hodgin, well played.

Holy crap, two pirates just ran right by me on the sidewalk.

Stop running, pirates. You know ninjas are much better than you.

Two words, Frank: Geneva Convention. America does not torture.

Calling your students gay is not only unprofessional, it's also wrong.

Warning to all bikers on campus: When playing chicken, scooters always win.

Hey, Alex, the five year off-and-on plan is not working. Find a new girl.

Eat some chicken strips. Like a boss.

So what's next? The anteater flu?

There's nothing like making a girl feel good.

Me and my two roommates on Putnam floor 2 like listening to 98 Degrees' "I Do Cherish You."

In reality, the kid on Putnam 2 actually likes listening to the Ting Tings by himself, at night, while touching himself.

My roommate doesn't know how to poop unless it's in his pants.

I had Hunan over 24 hours ago, and I still haven't pooped yet. Is there something wrong with me?

Renewal by Anderson, we love our new windows.

How can I get a wolf shirt to chew me?



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Happy Mother's Day

Love, your girls at Alpha Chi Omega

Mom Patty,

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Vangie~

The past nine years have been great and we look forward to our bright future with you alongside us. Thanks for your dedication and all of your hard work as House Mom.

~The Men of Beta Sig~

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To the best mom and House Director of the Year!

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~The Women of Pi Beta Phi

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Love Always, Your Tri Delta Girls

Mom Rose,

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BASEBALL

Keeps getting better



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Junior first baseman **Justin Bloxom** tags out a North Dakota runner to end the inning in Wednesday's home game. The No. 16 Wildcats will look to continue their hot streak when they travel to Stillwater, Okla., today for a three-game series against the No. 26 Oklahoma State Cowboys.

Cats gain national attention as they head to Oklahoma State

By Blake Thorson
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

The No. 16 Wildcats (33-11-1, 10-7-1 Big 12 Conference) will look to improve their regional resume and stay in the hunt for a Big 12 title beginning today as they travel to Stillwater, Okla., for a three-game series with No. 26 Oklahoma State.

The Cats are coming off a dominant midweek-series sweep of North Dakota, in which head coach Brad Hill picked up his 600th career win. K-State dominated the series by tallying 32 runs in two games and also banged out 38 hits against the Fighting Sioux, who managed only three runs in the series.

K-State has also begun to make some headlines nationally as they appear in all five major baseball ranking services and rank fifth nationally in wins. *Rivals.com* and Baseball America have also projected the Cats as a No. 2 seed in the Fayetteville, Ark., regional with an outside chance of the Cats hosting a regional with a strong finish to the 2009 campaign.

Individually, the Cats are also making their presence felt on the national level as junior ace A.J. Morris and senior shortstop Drew Biery were recently commended. Morris was one of 50 pitchers named to the National Pitcher of the Year Watch List by

the College Baseball Foundation and Mizuno. Biery was named to the Brooks Wallace Award Watch List, which is given to the nation's top shortstop.

Morris, the school-record holder for wins in a season with 10, has been phenomenal all year. In 11 starts, he has compiled a record of 10-0 with a nation-leading ERA of 1.27. He has also thrown two complete games and allowed only 55 hits in 77.2 innings of work.

Biery, who has played in 40 games this season, has been the consistent force Coach Hill needed from the beginning of the season. He has hit .361 — good for ninth place in the Big 12 — with 13 doubles, eight home runs, 41 RBI and 43 runs scored. Biery carries a .632 slugging percentage, which ranks fifth in the Big 12. He has also turned in a number of sensational plays in the field and carries a .943 fielding percentage.

However, Hill and his players said they know all the individual and team accolades will not win games down the stretch and nothing in the Big 12 comes easy, including this weekend's series with the Cowboys.

Oklahoma State (29-17, 6-11 Big 12) comes in as winners of four of its last six and has been in the national rankings for the majority of the season. Manager Frank Anderson and his 'Pokes are led at

the plate by sophomore catcher Kevin David who is hitting .354 on the season. The Cowboys also have some pop in their lineup as four hitters have seven or more homers on the season.

As a team, Oklahoma State ranks third in conference, behind only K-State and Oklahoma, with a .304 team batting average. On the mound, the Cowboys have been serviceable as they hold a team ERA of 4.57 which ranks fifth in the conference.

The pitching matchups for the weekend have been set for both teams as Friday's game will pit Morris against junior left-hander Andrew Oliver (5-4, 4.96 ERA). Saturday, senior Lance Hoge (4-2, 3.54 ERA) will take the hill for the Cats against another lefty, junior Tyler Lyons who has posted a 5-3 record and 3.67 ERA. On Sunday, senior Todd Vogel (3-0, 4.85 ERA) will get the ball for Hill's club while the Cowboys will counter with right-handed junior Tyler Blandford (6-3, 4.97).

First pitch is scheduled for 6:30 tonight at Allie P. Reynolds Stadium. The Cowboys hold a career win percentage of .825 on their home field and have gone 19-7 at home this season. The games today and Sunday can be heard on 1350 KMAN-AM, though Saturday's game can be heard only on www.1350kman.com because of the spring football game. Live stats are also available at www.kstatesports.com.

TRACK AND FIELD

Full squad to compete against Nebraska, MVC foes at Quad



Jonathan Knight | COLLEGIAN

Then-senior **Kyle Seiler** throws the javelin for the Wildcats at the Ward Haylett Invitational at R.V. Christian Track in May 2008. The squad will send 19 athletes to Lincoln, Neb., on Saturday for the Nebraska Quad.

By Justin Nutter
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Split-squad competition has become a regular event for the K-State track and field team during the last few weeks. However, the Wildcats will break that trend when they send 19 athletes to Lincoln, Neb., for the Nebraska Quad on Saturday.

K-State will participate in its first team-scored competition since the Pepsi Invitational on April 4. Since then, the Wildcats have sent athletes to a total of eight meets.

"[Returning to team competition] is good," said head coach Cliff Rovelto. "There's just an added dimension to competition where everybody's together and everybody's pursuing the same end. We're going to go into it with the idea that we're going to compete against people and do the best that we can."

The Wildcats will participate in the one-day meet a week after struggling through harsh weather conditions at the Drake Relays in Des Moines, Iowa. Rovelto, who is in his 20th season at K-State, said he hopes the squad will compete in more favorable conditions Saturday.

"We've been relatively lucky with practice," he said. "For the most part, I don't think we've had to compromise too much in training. But in competition, we've had to deal with significantly less than ideal conditions. In some events, that affects a lot. Hopefully we get [better conditions] this weekend."

The Wildcats will face teams from two conferences, including conference rival and meet host Nebraska and Missouri Valley Conference schools Wichita State and Northern Iowa. A small group of K-State athletes was supposed to compete in

Lincoln at the Nebraska Open last weekend, but the meet was canceled due to a thunderstorm.

With a field that includes a conference rival as well as an in-state rival, many Wildcats will compete against athletes they have seen on several other occasions. Rovelto said there's an added element when K-State faces familiar opponents.

"From a team perspective, we're not going into [the meet] with the idea that we're trying to beat teams right now, but when you do have team competition, there's just that added stimulus," he said. "For example, Nebraska has some really fine decathletes and we have some really fine decathletes, so when those guys compete head-to-head, they like that."

The meet, which will take place at Ed Weir Track, is scheduled to begin at noon.

ROWING

Wildcats to compete in 1st-ever official Big 12 Championships

Staff report
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

It has been two weeks since the K-State rowing team has taken to the water. In its last outing, the team grabbed two medals and will look to continue that success Saturday at the Big 12 Championships.

The team will travel to Wyandotte County Lake for the second time in three meets, and this is the first time that KU has hosted the event.

Wyandotte County Lake has been the site of the season-ending Big 12 Invitational before, most recently in 2007. In another first, Oklahoma will join the other three teams and the Big 12 will recognize the event as a conference championship event. However, Oklahoma will not field a varsity crew at the championships and their scores will not count in the team scoring.

Texas, KU and K-State competed in the Big 12 Invitational seven times. Texas is looking to claim its first Big 12 Conference Championship in the sport, having won all of the previous Big 12 Invitationals.

Last year, K-State finished 15 points behind Texas and six behind Kansas. The Wildcats, who have faced both KU and Texas this year, will look to continue their recent success with surging novice squads and a consistent varsity squad. Races will begin at 10:30 a.m.



Matt Binter | COLLEGIAN

The K-State rowing team practices at Tuttle Creek State Park in April 2008. The team will compete at the first-ever Big 12 Championships for rowing Saturday.

THE EDGE

Let's talk about



Top 5 benefits to why sex can provide stress relief, better health

While the most important thing is to be safe when having sex, there are some surprising health benefits that go beyond the bedroom. Read on to find out why getting down and dirty isn't always the worst thing in the world.



SEX RELIEVES STRESS

It's almost finals week. Your parents are yelling at you about finding a summer job. It's a high-stress time. Luckily for you, sex lowers blood pressure, according to a study published in *Biological Psychology*. The study showed that, when subjected to stressful situations, participants who had intercourse responded better to the stress than those who abstained. Additionally, "The release from orgasm does much to calm people," according to *www.msnbc.com*. The stress-relieving benefits are reason enough to take a study break.



SEX BURNS CALORIES

We all want that dream body. But running around the track gets monotonous and the gym can get so crowded. A healthy alternative: 30 minutes of sex which can burn 85 calories or more, according to *www.webmd.com*. Plus, the more you have sex, the more calories you burn, the better you look, the more you want to get naked. It's quite the opposite of a vicious cycle.



SEX BOOSTS IMMUNITY

According to *www.webmd.com*, "Having sex once or twice a week has been linked with higher levels of an antibody called immunoglobulin A." In plain terms, having sex can help build up the stuff that keeps you from catching that nasty cold or developing other infections. However, according to a study done by scientists at Wilkes University, the optimum frequency is once or twice a week. More than that, and you risk having to bust out the NyQuil.



SEX IMPROVES CARDIOVASCULAR HEALTH

Remember how sex lowers blood pressure and helps relieve stress? Well, lowering blood pressure is also good for your ticker. That same stress-relieving quality also applies to protection from strokes, so that means you don't have to stop having sex as you get older. According to *www.msnbc.com*, "Some protection from fatal coronary events may be an added bonus of frequent sexual intercourse." While this might not be something college kids are worrying about, it's a life lesson to take with you.



SEX REDUCES PAIN

When you get turned on, levels of the hormone oxytocin, as well as endorphins increase in your body, and this can act as a pain-reliever. These effects can apply to "headaches, arthritis pain or PMS symptoms" according to *www.webmd.com*. Additionally, "Orgasm is a powerful painkiller," according to *www.msnbc.com*. In the article, sexologist Beverly Whipple said, "the pain threshold and pain detection threshold increased significantly." So consider sex the best reason to stash the Advil and bust out the Trojans.

What does all this mean? There's one solution to the stress from finals, the cold you're worried about catching from your roommate, your busy schedule that allows no time for a good workout and the headache you have from all of the above: sex. But please, enjoy responsibly.

—Compiled by Sydney Eagleton

PROJECT PLAYLIST

Songs addressing sex can create perfect atmosphere

What would a sex-themed Edge page be without a sex-themed music column? Ridiculously inconsistent, that's what. So, with your consent, I present to you this week's filthy, dirty Project Playlist.

"A LAP DANCE IS SO MUCH BETTER WHEN THE STRIPPER IS CRYING"
— **The Bloodhound Gang**
Whether or not you agree, the Bloodhound Gang delivers on this single from "Hooray For Boobies," a parody of lonely "truck driving" narratives written by country music singer Red Sovine. The Bloodhound Gang epitomizes everything juvenile and immature about sex, reminding us that no matter how bad life gets, you aren't a crying stripper at rock bottom giving a lap dance to a slobbering drunk to the beat of crappy 1980s rock. And if you are, well, at least you're employed, right?

"SPERMS GOT GERMS"—The Evolution Control Committee
Making sex education fun can be a challenge, but the ECC does just that with this overtly corny tune featuring recycled big band sound clips and a wheezy narrative. Also known as Mark Gunderson, this creative genius recently moved to San Francisco to host a regular radio show, with the same "Adult Swim" style of off-beat humor. Lucky for you, the artist encourages piracy, so hearing his tale about "pounding a girl's cat" is a guilt-free download.

"LET'S GET IT ON"—Marvin Gaye
If this aphrodisiac-track doesn't trigger a greasy massage from your significant other, nothing will. It is interesting to note that this title track from the album of the same name signaled a shift away from more socially conservative lyrics, mak-

ing Gaye a sexual icon in the process. But it didn't come easily; Gaye suffered childhood sexual abuse by a preacher, rendering him impotent, among other issues. It was his newfound spirituality as an adult that allowed him to find freedom from his demons, which he expressed in this song about "making sweet love."

"WASTED"—Believable Picnic
A great song about abstinence, balancing out this week's column with a little redemption, Believable Picnic's "Wasted" passionately addresses the stresses of growing older and bellows out a chorus urging listeners to consider how true love is worth waiting for. Plus, avoiding genital warts is an obvious bonus. At times, the vocals sound like a cat meowing, but other than that, the song's great to share with your younger siblings.
—Compiled by Shane Bishop

STREET TALK

Why do you think sex is so taboo in today's culture?



Atteberry

"I think because even though it is everywhere, it is still such a private experience."

Katie Atteberry
JUNIOR IN SECONDARY EDUCATION



Wery

"I think a lot of people just don't want to discuss it."

Maura Wery
SOPHOMORE IN JOURNALISM



Hughes

"Because of the media—I think there is a lot of influence by the media."

Casey Hughes
SOPHOMORE IN SOCIAL WORK



Valdovinos

"It is a culturally learned experience behavior."

Susanna Valdovinos
DIRECTOR OF ACADEMIC PERSONNEL



Arango

"Whether it is taboo depends upon religion. Each culture is different with different points of view, some with more free-thinking religions, others that find sex to be taboo."

Miguel Arango
GRADUATE STUDENT IN AGRONOMY



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"I think family beliefs and family culture influence opinions."

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ONCE IN A LIFETIME

Candle passings become commonplace at Smurthwaite

By Emily Snell
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Forty-five girls and a handful of boyfriends sit in a large circle, passing a candle around a dimly lit room. This is no ordinary candle. On it rests a shiny ring – an engagement ring – the prize piece of jewelry for one lucky girl. With eager anticipation, the participants hand over the candle, waiting for the new couple to blow it out. Such a ceremony – a candle passing – has become a common event this year at Smurthwaite Scholarship House.

Since August, six girls from Smurthwaite have become engaged and participated in candle passing ceremonies in their honor. Four current members and two former members celebrated their engagements with the women of the house with this tradition.

In August, Hannah Michele Nunnenkamp, junior in music education, was the first to become engaged in the house after dating her boyfriend for five years.

“With Aaron and I, we always knew it was going to happen,” Nunnenkamp said. “It was

just a matter of when it was going to happen. Probably during my freshman year of high school, I told him we couldn’t get engaged until my junior year of college.”

Traditional candle passing ceremonies are put together by a close friend of the recently engaged member, and the identity of the couple is kept secret until the middle of the ceremony when they blow out the candle. This year, two of the candle passing ceremonies involved new twists.

Megan Coppenbarger, senior in pre-veterinary medicine, organized her own candle passing.

“Most people I know saw it coming,” Coppenbarger said. “They thought I would plan my own and I did.”

At a second event, a double-candle passing ceremony occurred. Stacy Place, junior in animal sciences and industry, and former member Tiffany Nitzsche, senior in Bible and worship ministry at Manhattan Christian College, announced their engagements at the same ceremony as a surprise.

“I was excited because I knew nobody was going to have any expectation that it was going to be

us,” Nitzsche said.

In the past two years, there have only been a couple of candle passing ceremonies at Smurthwaite. After the most recent ceremony, many girls said they were shocked by the total number of engagements so far this year.

“I have not even had one per semester up until this point,” Nunnenkamp said. “It’s a little bit out of control. There’s something in the water here.”

For several of the women, wedding plans and preparation will coincide with schoolwork and classes. Ann Scheufler, junior in dietetics, has scheduled her wedding for January 2010, in the middle of her final year at K-State.

“I’ll move up to Kansas City [where her fiancé lives] and finish my degree online,” Scheufler said. “I worked it out with my advisers. I double-checked to make sure that I can graduate.”

Changes will also come for Nitzsche, who will finish her degree at Manhattan Christian College after her wedding in August 2009.

“Next year, I have no idea



Sara Manco | COLLEGIAN

Ann Scheufler, junior in dietetics; **Megan Coppenbarger**, senior in biology and pre-veterinary medicine; and **Stacy Place**, junior in animal sciences and industry and pre-veterinary medicine, show off their engagement rings.

what it’s going to be like,” Nitzsche said. “It’s going to be weird learning how to share everything and living with a boy instead of with all girls. I don’t know how my time is going to be distributed differently. I’ll have to be a better time manager.”

In the meantime, the engaged women said they are enjoying the companionship they find with each other in the house. The girls have the chance to talk about cakes

and dresses and dream about their weddings with each other.

“After all the girls started getting engaged, it was really fun to share the emotions with all the girls,” Nunnenkamp said.

Coppenbarger said the multiple engagements allowed the members to support each other.

“I’m so excited,” Coppenbarger said. “This way you have people to relate to. You can gush to people who understand.”

Disney World proposal fulfills couple’s longtime dream

By Alyson Ptacek
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Walt Disney World might very well be the happiest place on earth for Stacy Place. During spring break, Place was not only able to fulfill her childhood dream of visiting the park, but was also proposed to by her boyfriend, Mark McHaney.

Place, junior in animal sciences and industry and pre-veterinary medicine, and McHaney, junior in biology and pre-medicine, have been dating since they were both juniors in high school. Place said they knew they wanted to get married from the beginning of their relationship, but had only recently started talking about it seriously.

Place said she knew McHaney had purchased a ring and had spoken to her father about the engagement but knew nothing about when the proposal would happen. All McHaney would say is that it would be in public and she would be surprised.

When the couple decided to go to Disney World for a spring break trip, Place said she knew something was up. She had mentioned to McHaney at the beginning of the relationship that she had always wanted to go there, so she said she knew if he was finally taking her there, it had to be significant.

After two wonderful days at the park and no proposal, Place said she was getting anxious.

“He can’t keep secrets from me,” Place said of McHaney. She said she knew something would be happening soon.

On the couple’s third day at the park, Place and McHaney went to eat at a restaurant called the Coral Reef.

Coral Reef allows guests to enjoy an un-

dersea experience while they eat. Panels of the walls are made of glass, giving guests a prime view of the Living Sea coral reef. Place said she was excited because the couple was able to get a table right next to one of the glass panels. She said these tables are usually reserved months in advance because of the spectacular view.

The couple was waiting to order when divers started swimming around in the tank. Suddenly the dive master swam up to the window next to the table. He held up a sign that said “Stacy, my love for you is as deep as the ocean. Will you marry me? Love, Mark.”

Place said she was shocked and started crying. The answer to the question was easy – “I just said yes,” she said.

Everyone in the restaurant started clapping and congratulating the newly engaged couple. The waiter brought out a large, chocolate dessert that had “Congrats” swirled on the top in icing.

Place said she was impressed by Disney World’s attentiveness to the situation.

“It was kind of like the icing on the cake,” she said. “It seemed like Disney had everything ready.”

McHaney said planning the elaborate proposal was a long process since he started organizing it more than two months in advance. He had been to the restaurant before and also has a passion for scuba diving, so he said he thought it would be an exciting way to propose. He researched it online and discovered other people had used this idea.

While McHaney said it was initially difficult to get in contact with Disney World, once he did, employees were “more than accommodating.” After he had everything planned for the event, he purchased the en-



COURTESY PHOTO

Mark McHaney, junior in biology and pre-medicine, proposed to Stacy Place, junior in animal sciences and industry and pre-veterinary medicine, by having the dive master of Disney World’s Coral Reef restaurant swim up to the couple’s table with signs during their dinner.

gagement ring and just had to wait for spring break.

McHaney said keeping the proposal a secret from Place was difficult.

“I was nervous and excited on the inside, but I did my best to hide it from Stacy on the whole trip,” he said.

When she finally said yes, McHaney

said he felt “uplifted.”

McHaney’s advice for anyone wanting to propose in a surprising way is to start planning far enough in advance in order to have significant time to get everything in order.

The couple said they both have always wanted a spring or summer wedding and plan on tying the knot in June 2010.

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Hey, guys: Just because you're engaged or married does not mean you no longer have to impress your wife or wife-to-be. Personal, surprise gifts are a perfect way to keep the relationship fresh and romantic — and all it takes is a little listening.

Women, whether on purpose or not, are great at dropping gift ideas. Picking up on these clues is important for getting the right gift. For instance, if she says she needs more photos around the house, beat her to the punch and print some of the best photos from her camera and buy some frames to hang around the house. It's quick and inexpensive.

This generosity doesn't just apply to items around the house. When she says she hasn't been to a zoo in a long time or had a terrible week at school and really needs a drink, that statement should set off something in your head. Take her to Sunset Zoo — it's older but certainly a great time — or take her on a tour of the Tallgrass Brewery.

Even with subtle gift hints, more often than not, women will be surprised by these gifts because they — with good reason — think men are not listening closely to their conversations. So the next time your fiancée or wife is complaining about a bad day at work or something she wishes she had, listen up.

Mother's Day provides a great opportunity for a surprise present. Most couples at K-State don't have children, but why not give your fiancée or wife a present on Mother's Day? Not only can the holiday be seen as a celebration of all women's caring and sensitivity, but men can recognize their ability to be a great mother once that time arrives.

Unless you hate children or are mortified by the thought of reproducing, Mother's Day is a great time for men to show they are listening to and do care about the special women in their lives, whether they have children or not.

As for me, I will be purchasing a professional massage for my fiancée for Mother's Day. She takes school a little more seriously than me, so by the second week in May, she will need a little rest and relaxation from the work and study overload.

For those wondering how it will be a surprise gift by unveiling my secret now, fortunately — at least this time — she goes to KU.

Scott Girard is graduating on May 16 and will move to Lawrence to be with his fiancée. They plan to be married in early summer 2010.

Proposal highlights study-abroad experience

By Missy Calvert
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Just in case living in Prague, Czech Republic, for a semester and traveling to Vienna, Austria; Paris; Venice, Italy; and Budapest, Hungary, wasn't enough for Gracia Johnson, sophomore in kinesiology, Bradley Matlack, a 2007 graduate in mechanical engineering, decided to make this semester abroad even more unforgettable.

He added a diamond ring. Not everyone gets the opportunity to spend a semester abroad, much less to propose in Europe.

"It was the perfect opportunity to set up something romantic," Matlack said. "It just seemed like it was supposed to happen that way."

Matlack started the proposal with a teaser. For Johnson's birthday, he sent her an old skeleton key.

"The idea came to me after she was telling me about all the skeleton keys and locks she saw in this museum in Prague. She has long told me that she loves old keys and boxes and wants them in our house someday," Matlack said.

Johnson had to wait for Matlack's visit to receive the corresponding box to the skeleton key.

On March 30, Matlack's plane arrived nine hours late. He had not slept in 30 hours, and someone had tampered with the proposal box during his flight.

"Things definitely weren't going as planned," he said.

Nevertheless, he had 30 minutes to pop the question before the couple's dinner reservations at a romantic restaurant.

Matlack gave Johnson the antique box for her skeleton key after they arrived at her apartment.

"I opened it and on the first tray was a plaque with my favorite Bible verse on it — Jeremiah 29:11 — some chocolate and my class ring. I later found out it was used to size the real diamond one," Johnson said.

Underneath, she found a picture of the couple with a poem Matlack had written, more chocolate and a delicate box.

"When I pulled the tray up, Bradley took the small box, got down on one knee and asked me to be his wife," Johnson said. "I then, of course, said yes!"

Matlack said she was not expecting the surprise.

"[She was] definitely surprised and speechless. She looked shocked," Matlack said.

The beaming couple then shared a dinner they said was unforgettable along



COURTESY PHOTO

Bradley Matlack, 2007 graduate in mechanical engineering, proposed to Gracia Johnson, sophomore in kinesiology, while Johnson was studying abroad in Prague, Czech Republic.

the Vltava River, which overlooked the Charles Bridge and Prague in its entirety.

The newly engaged couple spent 10 days together in Europe, touring Prague and Venice. The wedding is set for Dec. 19 in Lindsborg, Kan.

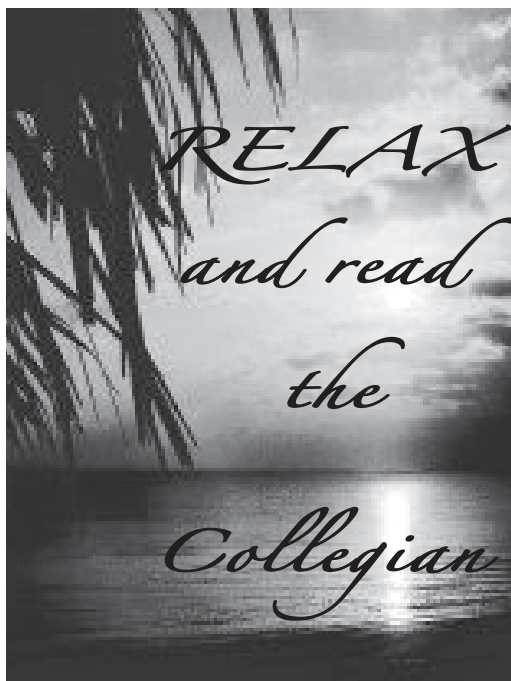
Matlack and Johnson met in 2007 through Christian Challenge. Their friendship continued to develop, and they began dating in January 2008.

"[Our faith] is the glue that holds us together and gives us strength to love each other each and every day," Matlack said.

Matlack is earning his master's degree and working in Wichita, while Johnson has been in Manhattan, so they are familiar with long-distance relationships; however, the couple said these months of separation have still been difficult.

Both said they have grown from this experience and hope to return to Europe someday, possibly for a honeymoon in Ireland the summer after they are married.

"[The proposal] was ten times better than anything I had imagined," Johnson said. "It was perfect."

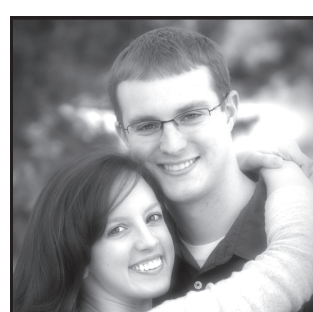


Cullop – Splitter

Janna Cullop, senior in agricultural communications and journalism, and Matt Splitter, senior in agricultural communications and journalism, announce their engagement.

Janna is the daughter of Jerry and Kelly Cullop, Sterling, Kan., and Matt is the son of Dr.'s Melvin and Janet Splitter, Lorraine, Kan.

They plan an August 1 wedding in Sterling, Kan.



Schmidt – Jones

Miranda Schmidt, senior in mathematics and secondary education-math, and Travis Jones, senior in mechanical engineering, announce their engagement.

Miranda is the daughter of Cecil and Eileen Schmidt, Berryton, Kan., and Travis is the son of Barry and Annette Jones, Rose Hill, Kan.

They plan a July 18 wedding in Topeka, Kan.



Whitesell – Maxwell

Jessica Marie Whitesell, senior in elementary education, and Mardell Roderic Maxwell, senior in business management, announce their wedding.

Jessica is the daughter of David and Jana Whitesell, Waterville, Kan., and Mardell is the son of Marvin and Daphne Maxwell, Junction City, Kan.

They plan a May 30 wedding in Manhattan, Kan.

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Senate urges faculty to delay gen ed proposal vote

By Rico van Buskirk
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

In its final meeting of the semester, Student Governing Association's Student Senate debated a resolution regarding the revision of K-State's general education requirements Thursday night.

The meeting opened with jocular words of wisdom from Collegian staff writer Steven Miller, who said goodbye to the senate after a year of covering its weekly meetings.

A bill concerning the K-State 8 General Education Proposal has emerged from the Faculty Senate Academic Affairs Committee. A vote on the bill could happen as early as May 12 at the next Faculty Senate meeting. Many student senators said they feel such a vote by Faculty Senate would be a premature move.

Supporters of the Student Senate resolution said they felt more time for stu-

dent input was needed before the Faculty Senate brings the proposal to a vote. Should the Faculty Senate pass the bill, senators are concerned that student input on the matter will cease to exist. Many senators are concerned with the low level of student input in formulating the general education proposal and expressed reservations about the haste with which the Faculty Senate is approaching the bill.

Student Body President Dalton Henry urged senators to separate the overall goal of the general education proposal from the resolution's intention of convincing the Faculty Senate to shelve the bill until fall 2009.

Improvements to general education requirements started with the establishment of the General Education Task Force and have been in progress for six years.

"We're running a marathon and we don't need to take a shortcut now," Henry, senior in agricultural economics and

agricultural communications and journalism, said. "We don't want to take a shortcut and ruin what could be a good program."

Senator Laura Rachelle White, junior in civil engineering, argued that a change in general education requirements would impede students in the College of Engineering and College of Architecture, Planning and Design from completing electives in certain technical classes required to perform well on their respective trades' exams.

However, senator Mark Andre, fifth-year student in architecture, voiced support for the proposed general education change.

"[Classes] outside of our colleges give us the opportunity to get different perspectives," said Andre. "We are here to get a broad base [of learning]."

The resolution passed 44-1, with six senators abstaining.

"[The resolution] should give us a little more time to talk to students," said Amy Schultz, senior in biology and Speaker of the Student Senate.

The senate unanimously voted in favor of a bill providing for the creation of a Special Committee to Study the Faculty Evaluation Process. The bill was passed to facilitate the continued exploration of faculty oversight for all professors.

Similarly, five students were approved unanimously to assume positions on this committee.

The senate approved a resolution appointing Na'im Saalim Al-Amin as SGA assistant attorney general. Members of the four SGA judicial bodies were appointed, along with members of 17 university-wide committees.

The meeting closed with the senators singing a humorous rendition of "Happy Birthday" to Henry, who celebrated his 22nd birthday Wednesday.

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MILWAUKEE – A hundred cases of swine flu in the U.S.? Health officials say there are likely more. Just how many is not important, they say.

As the world faces a potential pandemic, swamped labs are not testing all possible cases. Getting an exact tally has taken a back seat to finding new outbreak hot spots or ways to limit its spread, health officials said.

“The specimens are coming in faster than they can possibly be tested,” said Dr. Jeffrey P. Davis, state epidemiologist in Wisconsin, where a lab helped spot the nation’s first known case, in a 10-year-old boy from San Diego.

New York, which has more cases than any other U.S. location, also has had to limit the samples it tests, said Dr. Don Weiss of that city’s health department.

“Sure, we’d want to diagnose every case, but we don’t have that resource,” he said. Instead of trying to confirm every sign of the virus, “we’re focused on where else is it going and how do we prevent it.”

On Friday, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention will start shipping kits so states can do their own swine flu tests. Until now, state labs could only rule out previously known flu strains and send suspicious samples to CDC.

AFTER STRUGGLE, CHRYSLER SUCCEUMS TO BANKRUPTCY

DETROIT – After months of struggling to stay alive on government loans, Chrysler finally succumbed to bankruptcy Thursday, pinning its future on a top-to-bottom reorganization and plans to build cleaner cars through an alliance with Italian automaker Fiat.

The nation’s third-largest car manufacturer filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection in New York, with ambitions to emerge in as little as 30 days as a leaner, more nimble company, probably with Fiat as the majority owner.

In return, the federal government agreed to give Chrysler up to \$8 billion in additional aid and to back its warranties.

“It’s a partnership that will give Chrysler a chance not only to survive, but to thrive in a global auto industry,” President Barack Obama said from the White House.

Starting Monday, Chrysler said, it will close all its plants until it comes out of bankruptcy.

At least three Detroit-area factories sent workers home Thursday after suppliers stopped shipping parts because of increased fears they would not be paid.

SCHOOLS CLOSE, NUMBER OF SWINE FLU CASES PASS 100

WASHINGTON – Nearly 300 schools scattered across the country closed as the nation’s H1N1 swine flu caseload passed 100 Thursday and U.S. authorities pledged to eventually produce enough vaccine for everyone – but said shots could not begin until fall at the earliest.

The outbreak penetrated more than a dozen states and even touched the White House, which disclosed that an aide to Energy Secretary Steven Chu apparently got sick helping arrange President Barack Obama’s recent trip to Mexico. However, the aide did not fly on Air Force One and never posed a risk to the president.

It is safe to fly, U.S. officials stressed after Vice President Joe Biden said he’d discourage family members from flying or even taking the subway. The White House insisted the vice president meant to say he was discouraging just nonessential travel to Mexico, the hardest-hit area.

The national Centers for Disease Control and Prevention confirmed 109 cases Thursday and state officials confirmed 22 more. Cases now are confirmed in New York, Texas, California, South Carolina, Kansas, Massachusetts, Indiana, Ohio, Arizona, Michigan, Nevada, New Jersey, Delaware, Maine, Colorado, Georgia and Minnesota.

IRAQI REFUGEES STAY PUT DESPITE RELATIVE CALM

DAMASCUS, SYRIA – The vast majority of Iraqis who fled their country have no plans to return even though violence is way down, with many hoping instead to resettle in the West.

The trends, uncovered on the basis of scores of interviews by the Associated Press and confirmed by Iraqi government and United Nations figures, raise the possibility that countries like Syria and Egypt – poor themselves – could face a significant refugee problem for years to come.

Iraq might never, or at least not for years, recover much of the urban, educated, predominantly Sunni Muslim and Christian middle-class whose skills would be vital to its rebuilding.

More than 2 million refugees remain outside Iraq, mostly in the Sunni countries of Syria, Jordan and Egypt, according to the International Organization of Migration and the U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees. Only about 16,000 refugees – less than 1 percent – have returned from abroad, said Karim al-Saedi, an Iraqi Migration Ministry official.

In addition to Iraqis who fled abroad, approximately 1.6 million people have left their homes to take refuge in other parts of Iraq since 2006.

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NEW DELHI – Anil Ambani does not wait in traffic.

The billionaire industrialist often commutes by helicopter, soaring far above the traffic jams that clog his sprawling hometown of Mumbai.

But Ambani’s high-flying life could have ended last week – a complaint filed with police said pebbles and gravel were found in the chopper’s engine – debris that could have caused the craft to crash.

The case took a bizarre twist this week as the technician who discovered the suspected sabotage turned up dead. Bharat Borge’s body was discovered on suburban Mumbai railway tracks after he was apparently hit by a train – a death police are calling suicide but Borge’s family believes was murder.

The latest developments have gripped the country, with newspapers splashing the story across their front pages and TV news channels giving repeated updates.

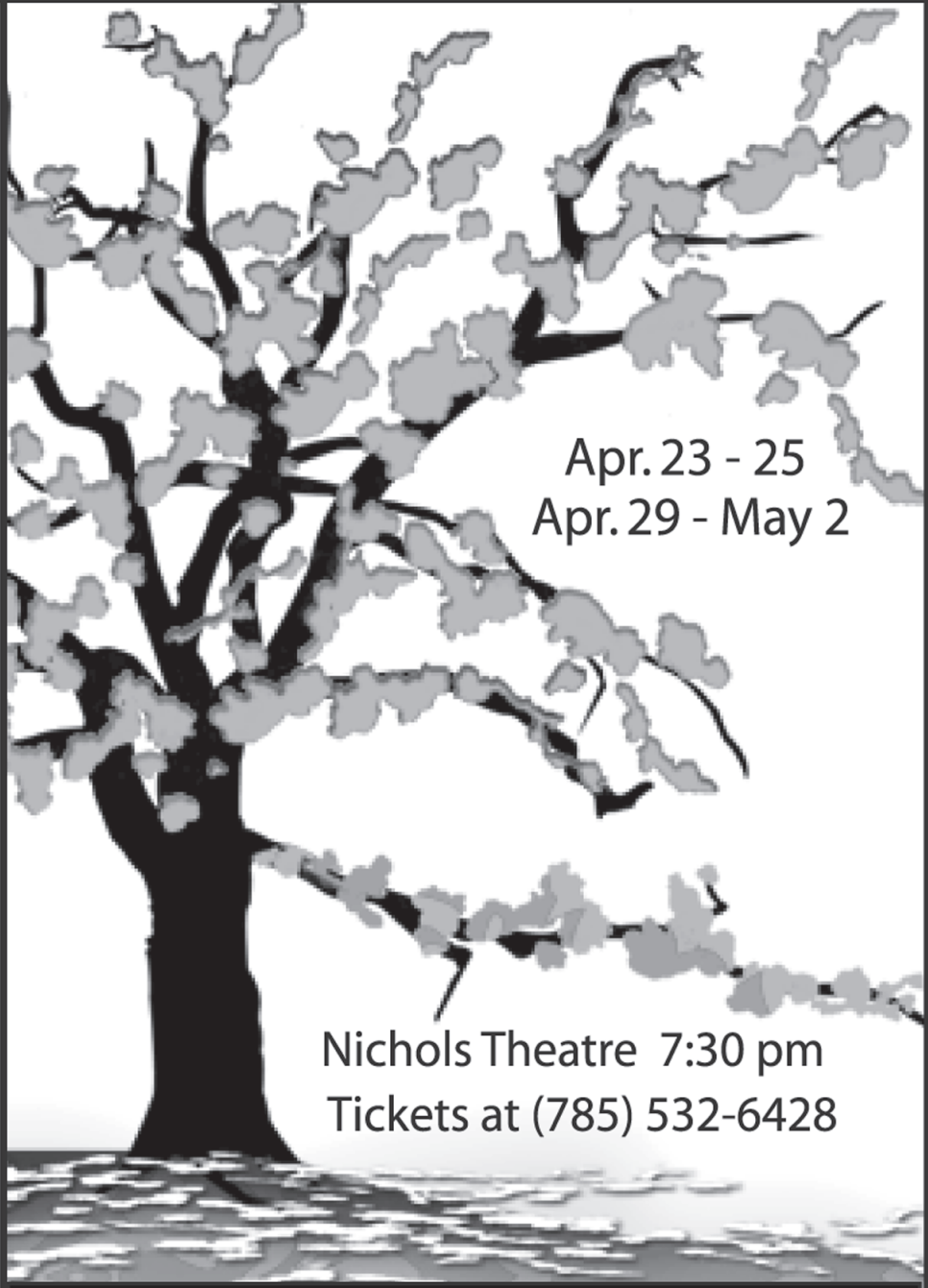
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Fountain Wars applies engineering principles to competition

By Lauren Taggart
KANSAS STATE COLLEGIAN

Formulas for fluid flow circle through the minds of K-State engineering students as they prepare to compete in the annual Fountain Wars.

"We are an environmentally based design team that is given technical tasks to complete each year," said Ginger Pugh, sophomore in biological systems engineering and Fountain Wars team president. "This includes creating fountains that are aesthetically and environmentally pleasing."

Under the supervision of department advisers, Fountain Wars team members compete in a national competition each year to showcase their design. Pugh said contestants are required to assemble the machine on site in a two-hour period and have it function perfectly by judging time. To compete successfully, planning takes place early in the semester before competition.

"We started early this semester in the design process," Pugh said. "Although we aren't quite finished for the next competition, we always get it done on time."

The K-State Fountain Wars team has been fairly successful in recent years, with a second place finish in Providence, R.I., last year. Pugh said she hopes to continue this success in Reno, Nev., for the June competition.

"This group gives students [an opportunity] to take things they learned from class like fluid dy-



TOP: Students test part of their Fountain Wars design. **RIGHT:** Brent Ware, senior in biological and agricultural engineering, cuts pipe to be used on the fountain.

namics, focus on engineering aspects, and create something totally original," said Gary Clark, senior associate dean in the College of Engineering and former organization adviser. "They experience technical challenges and learn more about electronics at the same time."

The organization has also provided its members with great experience and resources to aid in academics, students said.

"Applying engineering principles with designing has helped me approach problems in my classes with greater confidence," said Rebecca Burns, senior in biological and agricultural engineering. "I have received internship offers because I am on a team that is suc-

cessful."

Clark said past designs have included voice-activated valves that react on command, as well as valves programmed to songs that create a Bellagio effect, as in Las Vegas.

More and more professors and students have started to recognize the program as it gains notoriety.

"The students involved with Fountain Wars have gained valuable leadership training and learned to work as a team," Clark said. "They are wonderful representatives for K-State."

"Being a member has helped me expand my circle of friends in our department," Burns said. "Plus, messing with water is fun."



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TOP: **Emily Santacroce-Kennedy**, sophomore in history and English, shouts feminist chants at the beginning of Take Back the Night. The march was one of three parts to the evening's events. BOTTOM: Walking through the streets of Aggieville toward Triangle Park, mistress of ceremonies **Mariya Vaughan** leads the Take Back the Night march. Marchers had seven chants they used throughout the march.

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corner of Anderson and Manhattan avenues. K-State groups Wildcats Against Rape, Amnesty International, Choice USA and progressive fraternity Delta Lambda Phi had tables set up there against a backdrop of hand-decorated T-shirts from violence survivors and survivor advocates.

Pat Brooks, senior in women's studies, was once a police violence advocate at the Riley County Crisis Center. She said it was her first TBTN march.

"I've known several women on campus who have been assaulted, and I've also been a victim of



domestic violence, so the issue is personal to me," Brooks said.

Before she left, Clemmons said she was honored to perform for the event

and believes that speaking about violence is the only way to confront it.

"People don't want to talk about things like that, but it's really important

that people raise awareness about violence against women," Clemmons said.

The country band The Great Outdoors followed her acoustic performance.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Benefits of regular sex increase more within marriage

Editor,
Recently an article regarding the benefits of regular sex, written by columnist Alicia Gentile from the University of Delaware, was placed in the Kansas State Collegian.

Personally, I would agree that this article did a very good job covering all the physical benefits of regular sex.

However, when reading I felt that this article was geared toward sexual activities outside of marriage because of the beginning statement "Sex – with all precautions taken."

I felt impelled to share with others an additional voice toward this topic. An excerpt from Linda J. Waite and Maggie Gallagher's book "The Case for Marriage" addresses how "Married Sex Is Better Sex" (96).

The conventional stereotype is that married couples aren't having sex or that the sex they are having is less fulfilling.

However in "The Case for Marriage," it states, "According to the National Sex Survey, 43 percent of the married men reported that they had sex at least twice a week. Only 26 percent of the single men (not cohabiting) said they had sex this often, and the divorced men were no more active than the never-married guys.

The picture is much the same for women: Wives had more active sex lives than all types of single women except cohabiters; 39 percent of married women had sex two or three times a week or more, compared to 20 percent of single woman (79)."

The book later specifies that this is possible because "sex is easier for married people, because it is more comfortably fitted into their everyday lives" (96).

In Alicia Gentile's

article, physical well-being was highlighted. However, emotional fulfillment wasn't covered to its entirety of importance in building a good mutual relationship.

For women especially, feeling a sense of security is an important aspect to achieving a satisfying relationship.

The book states "42 percent of married women interviewed in the National Sex Survey said they found sex extremely emotionally and physically satisfying, compared to just 31 percent of single woman who had a sex partner" (82). This is because marriage is a long-term contract that leads to emotional satisfaction for woman and for men.

"Forty-eight percent of husbands say sex with their partner is extremely satisfying emotionally, compared to just 37 percent of cohabiting men. Fifty percent of married men find sex physically satisfying, compared to 39 percent of cohabiting men" (83).

Another benefit of sex within marriage is the continuous emotional bonding built between the couple. Because couples are building the ability to place their partners happiness before their own desires, "Love and a concern for one's partner shifts the focus away from the self in a sexual relationship and toward the other person. This selfless approach to sex, paradoxically, is far more likely to bring sexual satisfaction to both men and women" (89).

This book clearly establishes through its data, that exclusivity in sexual relationships "increases sexual pleasure for both sexes" (85) physically and emotionally.

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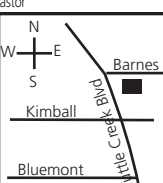
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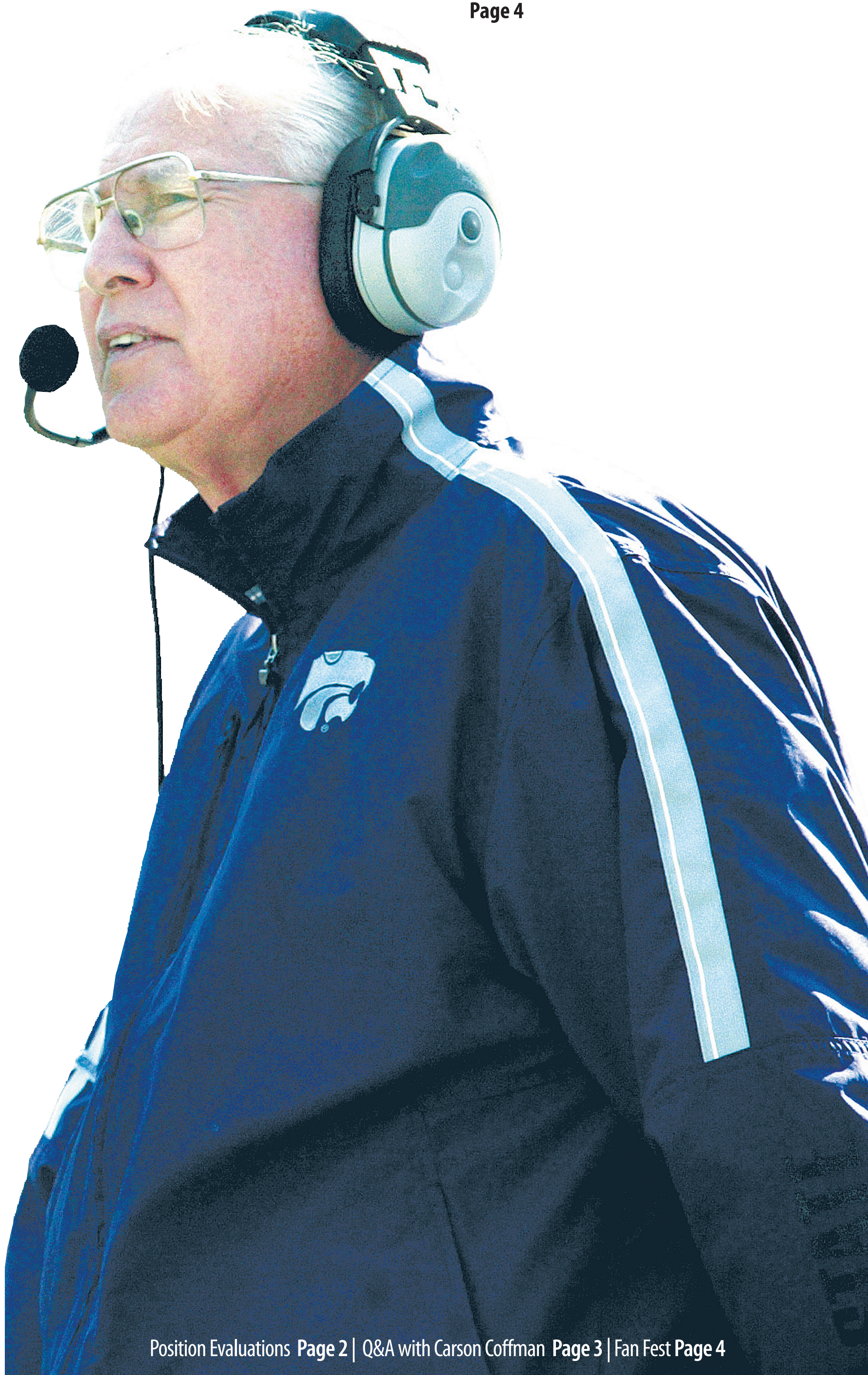
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The Return of Snyder

Saturday marks the first time Bill Snyder has been on the K-State sidelines since he retired in 2005.

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Making the grade?

Snyder inherits a Wildcat squad with several holes throughout the roster

QuarterbackC

It goes without saying that there are plenty of questions surrounding the quarterback position after Josh Freeman's departure to the NFL. Junior Carson Coffman, the only other quarterback on the roster to take any snaps in 2008, appears to be the favorite as Freeman's successor. Talented redshirt-freshmen Collin Klein and Joseph Kassanavoid might also see playing time this year.



COFFMAN

Tight EndB

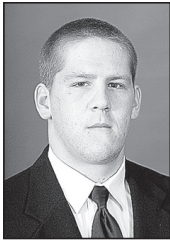
Senior Jeron Mastrud, K-State's second leading receiver in 2008, will look to build off a junior campaign in which he hauled in 38 passes for 435 yards and two touchdowns – all career-highs. With the graduation of Brett Alstatt and little competition at the position, look for Mastrud to improve those numbers during his final season as a Wildcat.



MASTRUD

LinebackersC-

The Wildcats' linebacking unit has big gaps to fill after the losses of Reggie Walker and Olu Hall, who combined for 68 tackles and three sacks in 2008. Redshirt-sophomore Alex Hrebec and senior Ulla Pomele, who ranked second and fourth on the team in tackles, respectively, should continue that success this season at inside linebacker, but lack of experience at outside linebacker is concerning.



HREBEC

Running backD

It's anyone's guess who will be in the backfield for the Wildcats in the fall. Aside from Freeman, K-State's two leading rushers – Lamark Brown and Logan Dold – have moved back to their original positions. It looks as though Keithen Valentine, who saw action in eight games last season, will return to the starting role after fading from the picture early in 2008.



VALENTINE

Offensive LineC+

K-State has several shoes to fill after the graduation of Jordan Bedore, Gerard Spexarth and Penisini Liu. However, K-State still has plenty of depth and experience, returning four linemen who made at least one start last year. Redshirt-seniors Nick Stringer and Brock Unruh will look to lead a unit which allowed just 16 sacks a year ago – the fourth fewest in the conference.



STRINGER

SecondaryC

Courtney Herndon, Chris Carney and Tysyn Hartmen all return to the Wildcat secondary, also former running back Logan Dold could be switching to safety for this year. Redshirt-junior Joshua Moore, who led team in tackling and interceptions in 2008. Moore is the only returning cornerback who saw substantial playing time a year ago. The lack of experience may be cause for concern for many Wildcat fans.



Herndon

Wide ReceiverC+

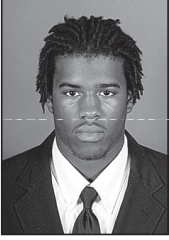
K-State's receiving corps took a hit when Deon Murphy left the program during the offseason. However, plenty of depth still remains at the position. Brandon Banks, the team's leading receiver a year ago, returns for his senior campaign while junior Lamark Brown returns to the mix, providing a huge target for Wildcat quarterbacks.



BANKS

Defensive LineD+

K-State's front four has a forgettable season in 2008, allowing 217.7 yards per game on the ground. The unit will have to deal with the loss of standout Ian Campbell at defensive end, but many large contributors – including sophomore Brandon Harold and redshirt-senior Eric Childs – will be back in 2009. The Wildcats' defensive front should be improved from last year's meltdown, but there's still plenty of work to do.




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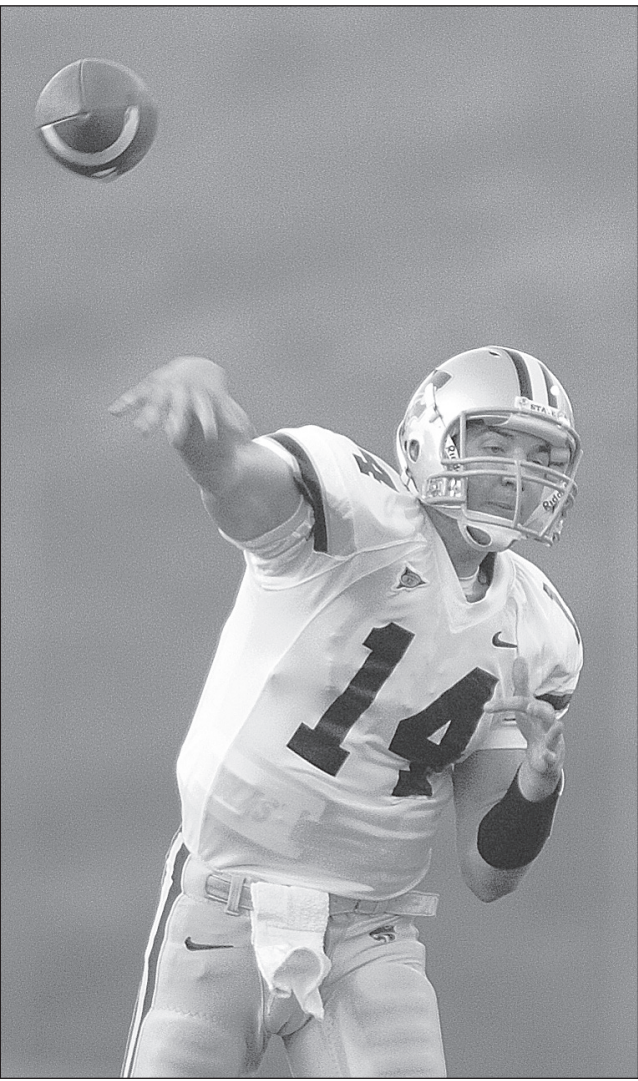
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Coffman looks to take leadership role on team



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Carson Coffman attempts a pass during last year's Spring Game. Coffman looks to be the first-string quarterback who will lead the Wildcat offense.

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With the hole created at quarterback caused by Josh Freeman's departure to the NFL, Wildcat fans have been wondering who will step in to fill his shoes.

Head coach Bill Snyder was not quick to name a starter recently but did say that junior Carson Coffman "has made a big jump in his performance."

Recently the Collegian caught up with the Peculiar, Mo., native to talk about being the starting quarterback, playing video games and who he thinks has a future in the NFL.

Q. How have spring practices been going for you this year?

A. Obviously things are different because I'm the No. 1 guy right now. I feel like I'm taking a little bit of leadership of the team. I feel like we're just trying to get

better every single day, and I feel like we are doing that, and that was our goal at the beginning of spring practice.

Q. Being the No. 1 guy, what do you feel like you bring to the table that other quarterbacks like Collin Klein and Joseph Kassanvoid don't?

A. Right now I would just have to say experience. They're both freshmen right now, and this is my third year here.

Q. How do you replace Josh Freeman, and how do you fill his shoes?

A. He was a great player here, and he will go on to be a great player. I think I'm capable of filling his shoes. I feel like just with smart decisions and game management I can fill his shoes.

Q. Your dad Paul Coffman played at K-State in the 1970s. How much did that factor into your decision to

come play at K-State?

A. I've been a K-State fan growing up. Whenever coach Snyder was on the staff, that's when I was being recruited. ... He was looking more for an option quarterback, and neither one of us were offered. When [former coach Ron] Prince came in, he offered me a grayshirt, and I thought that was the best option for me at the time.

Q. How is this year's spring game different from last year's? Are you more excited about it?

A. I feel like the fans are expecting a lot out of me. I feel like I need to show them I can play, so I'm pretty excited to show the fans that I can play.

Q. You were selected as a player representative for this year. How has that been for you?

A. It's definitely an honor, because it was voted on by my teammates. I feel like to

be the quarterback on this team, I've got to earn the respect of my teammates, and that definitely showed me that I have the respect of my teammates.

Q. What does you like to do in his free time?

A. I like to play cards a lot. Whenever [Freeman] was here, we played a lot of video games, but he was the one with the system, and he took it when he left, so we don't play video games anymore. Cards is one of my big hobbies, but most of my time is taken up by football, so I don't really have any hobbies.

Q. Who should K-State fans look for to make an impact Saturday and this fall?


A. Brandon Banks. I think he's probably the best player on our team, and he's just so explosive and fun to watch. I mean he can turn a 2-yard play into an 80-yard play just like that.

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Spring Game Fan Fest events offer fun for fans of all ages



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Saturday marks the return of football for Wildcat Nation. Along with football comes the return of almost every college student's favorite past time: tailgating. The parking lots and the area around Snyder Family Stadium will be filled with students and other K-State fans for barbecue, beer and games. Many might show up as many as five hours before kick-off. Pregame partying like this is a great way to become closer to friends, make new friends and enjoy some great food and beverages. During head coach Bill Snyder's first tenure at K-State, tailgating was the only thing Wildcat fans could do before the Spring Game. But the one good thing about Ron Prince's reign was the fun he brought to the annual Purple-White game. Prince started by drafting players for each team. Not only did this even the teams out, but it allowed for the fans to become more involved in the game. Prince also brought in the pregame festivities that became known as the "Fan Fest." There were carnival rides, barbecue contests and live music. When Prince left K-State many fans thought that the annual "Fan Fest" was exiting along with him. But lo and behold, Snyder didn't totally banish the pregame festivities.

10 A.M.
The Spring Game Fan Fest Weekend kicks off with a department-wide blowout sale, which will include deals on DVDs, promotional items, old jerseys and uniforms,

authentic athletic apparel and equipment, autographed memorabilia and pieces of historic Memorial Stadium. The sale will take place inside the Brandeberry Indoor Complex until 3 p.m.

11 A.M.
The inflatable carnival will open. It will be located in the southeast portion of the west parking lot. The carnival will stay open until 2:45 p.m.

NOON
A free concert, presented by *KansasStateCars.com* and headlined by Capitol Nashville recording artist Luke Bryan, will begin at 12:30 p.m. inside Cat Town. Food and beverages will be available for purchase, but entrance to the concert will be free of charge.

3 P.M.
The centerpiece of the weekend, the annual Purple-White scrimmage, kicks off at 3 p.m. Tickets are priced at \$5

for all fans and can be purchased from the K-State Athletics Ticket Office, while parking will be free of charge. Gates will open at 1 p.m. for fans to enter the stadium. There will be no autograph session following the 2009 Spring Game, but fans will have that opportunity during the fall football camp.

Though the Spring Game is basically a full contact practice for the K-State football team, it is the closest thing Wildcat fans will get until the 2009 season kicks off in September.

The Fan Fest is a great way to supplement the game with fun activities that the whole family can enjoy. Weather permitting, it should be a great weekend at Snyder Family Stadium.

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